### **Workforce Strategies 2002**



Washington's Workforce Leadership Conference
November 21 & 22, 2002
Hilton Conference Center
SeaTac, Washington

WASHINGTON'S SECOND STATEWIDE CONFERENCE FOR
BUSINESS, LABOR, AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT LEADERS
WHO KNOW THAT A SKILLED WORKFORCE IS CRITICAL
TO WASHINGTON'S ECONOMIC FUTURE



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The Leadership Difference

# **Explore** effective workforce development strategies

# **Share** promising and "tested" best practices

## **Examine** national policies on the horizon

#### **Presenters** (to date)

Governor Gary Locke Senator Maria Cantwell

Camille Anderson, J.R. Simplot

David Baime, American Association of Community Colleges

Rick Bender, Washington State Labor Council

Martha Choe, Office of Trade and Economic Development

Phyllis Eisen, National Association of Manufacturers

Dave Klick, Northwest Food Processors Association

Steve Leahy, Seattle Chamber of Commerce

John Littel, Seattle/King County Building Construction Trades

Tom Martinez, J.R. Simplot

Jane McDonald Pines, AFL-CIO Public Policy Department

Sharyl Parker, Oregon Restaurant Education Foundation

Steve Savner, Center for Law and Social Policy
Linda Santos Clark, Washington Mutual
Susan Simosko, Susan Simosko Associates
Paul Sommers, University of Washington
Emily Stover DeRocco, U.S. Department of Labor

and more.....

#### **Conference Themes**



#### **Focus on Employer Benefits**

This conference track will feature employers and trade/business associations who have successfully

partnered with the public sector and how it has affected their bottom line. Come listen to their experiences, the lessons they have learned, specific examples of projects, and local and state resources available. Employers can reap great benefits by partnering with public workforce partners, such as education, workforce development councils, and state organizations.

### Focus on Linkages with Economic Development

As we move to identify the key economic clusters in our state, state and local leaders are organizing their programs, resources, and partnerships to better connect workforce education and the skill needs of employers. Experts in cluster-based economic development, local industry-specific skill panels, and state and local leaders will be featured in this strand.



#### **Focus on National Policy**

2003 will be an exciting year for workforce development policy in the "other" Washington.

Several key pieces of legislation are up for reauthorization, e.g., the Workforce Investment Act, the Carl Perkins Career and Technical Education Act, the Higher Education Act and perhaps Temporary Assistance to Needy Families if it is not addressed this year. This large agenda has many implications for workforce development leaders, and we have assembled an all-star cast of "D.C. Insiders" to shed light on the key issues for Congressional focus, the views of various stakeholder organizations, and our opportunities to influence events.

#### **Focus on Partnership**

Success in creating and sustaining a high skill, high wage economy requires strong collaboration

across institutional and program boundaries. Strong public/private partnerships, effective alliances between K-12 and postsecondary education and training institutions, labor/management cooperation, and creative multi-partner solutions to community challenges will be highlighted in this strand of breakout sessions.

#### Who Should Attend

Leadership from local Workforce Development Councils, community and technical colleges, state agencies, business, trade, and labor organizations, and the K-12 system as well as economic development leaders and practitioners.

### What attendees had to say about last year's conference

"I appreciated the focus on collaboration between business, education and economic development."

"Thank you for getting all the players together in one room."

"It was great to be able to network and connect with key people and resources."

"The presenters were excellent and provided helpful information."

"The conference was short, focused and so relevant to what we are dealing with."

#### **Also Featuring**

### LIVE from the SeaTac Hilton... It's a WorkSource Center!

See for yourself how a real WorkSource Center operates.

Do a job search.

See information about prospective employees. Talk to the pros about WorkSource Services.

#### Washington State's Workforce Leadership Conference 2001 and 2002 Governor's Award Winners

How we won, what it takes to sustain innovation, and barriers along the way.

#### **Conference Program**

#### Wednesday, November 20, 2002

1:00 - 5:00pm Pre-Conference Meetings (To be Developed)

#### Thursday, November 21, 2002

7:30 - 9:00am	Registration/Continental Breakfast		
ALL DAY	EXPERIENCE WORKSOURCE!		
9:00 - 10:30am	General Session		
10:30 - 10:45am	Opening Plenary - Real Results for Real People Break		
10:45 - 12:00pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
	<ul> <li>Focus on Employer Benefits</li> <li>Focus on Linkages with Economic Development</li> <li>Focus on National Policy</li> <li>Focus on Partnership</li> </ul>		
12:15 - 2:00pm	Lunch and Awards Ceremony		
2:00 - 3:15pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
3:15 - 3:45pm	Break		
3:45 - 5:00pm	CONCURRENT SESSIONS		
5:30 - 6:30pm	Reception		
6:30pm	Dinner		

#### Friday, November 22, 2002

7:30 - 8:45am	Continental Breakfast
8:30 - 12:00pm	EXPERIENCE WORKSOURCE!
8:45 - 9:45am	Morning Plenary
9:45 - 10:15am	Break and Checkout
10:15 - 11:30am	CONCURRENT SESSIONS
11:30 - 11:45am	Break
11:45 - 2:00pm	Closing Lunch and Plenary Program



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#### Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board

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### Washington State Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board

The Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board works in partnership with business, labor, local workforce development councils, and other state agencies to address the workforce development challenges facing the state's employers and workers.

#### **Conference Co-Sponsors** (to date)

Community, Trade and Economic Development Department
State Board for Community and Technical Colleges
Office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction
Department of Services for the Blind
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation/DSHS
Washington Workforce Association
Washington State Labor Council
Washington Federation of Private Career Schools
Association of Washington Businesses
Employment Security Department

Department of Social and Health Services



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#### **Conference Location**



For reservations, call:

Hilton Airport & Conference Center 17620 Pacific Highway South SeaTac, WA 98188-4001 (206) 244-4800 (888) 235-4465 Lodging is available at the newly remodeled

Hilton Airport and Conference Center,

17620 Pacific Highway South,

SeaTac, Washington, 98188-4001,

at the special conference rate of \$143 per night\*.

To reserve a room, call (206)244-4800 or call 1-888-235-4465.

Please register by October 31, 2002 and mention the Workforce Strategies 2002 conference.

The new Hilton recently received high praise in an article written for Alaska and Horizon Air Magazine.

Check it out at http://www.wtb.wa.gov/confhot.pdf.

\* This is the new state per diem lodging rate for King County.



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**Registration:** Please complete this form and mail or fax with your payment by **November 12, 2002**, to Barbara Mix, WTECB, PO Box 43105, Olympia, WA 98504-3105 (phone: 360-586-3322; fax 360-586-5862). For hotel reservations, please contact the Hilton at 206-244-4800 or 1-888-235-4465. Ask for conference rate.

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<b>Registration Fee</b> The registration fee is \$150 by Octobe November 21 and lunch on November	er 31 and \$175 after October 31. The registration fee includes r 22.	s lunch and dinner on
Payment Options : ☐ Check/Money Ord ☐ Purchase Order (continue)	(attach to form)	
Conference Tracks		
Focus on Employer Benefits Focus	on Linkages with Economic Development	Focus on Partnership
<b>Special Accommodation:</b> Please list device, interpreter, personal assistant, materials	any accommodation you require to ensure full access to this event (dietary requesting alternate format, etc.).	irement, assistive listening

**Cancellation Policy:** Cancellations will be accepted with a full refund until November 12, 2002. Any cancellation made after this date will be subject to a \$55 processing fee. Substitutions can be made until November 12, 2002. Registrations will be accepted on-site on a space-available basis. Payment via check or money order will be due at that time.